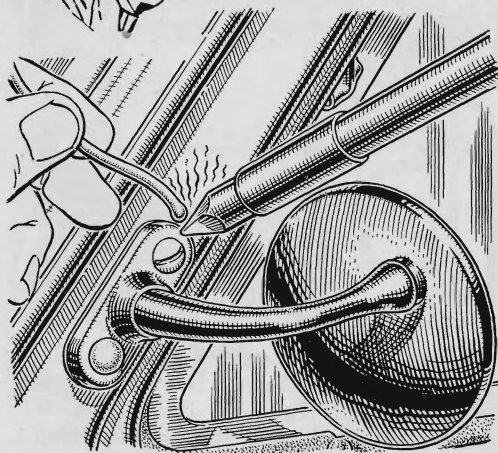
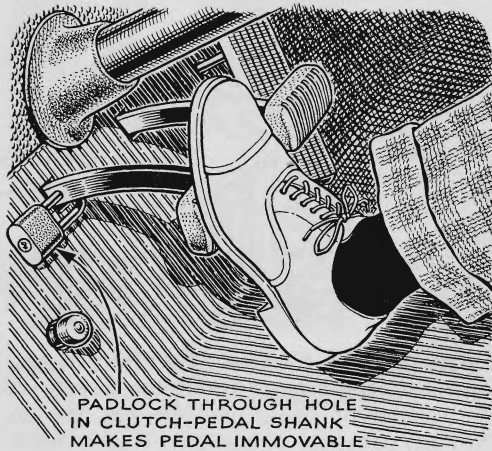




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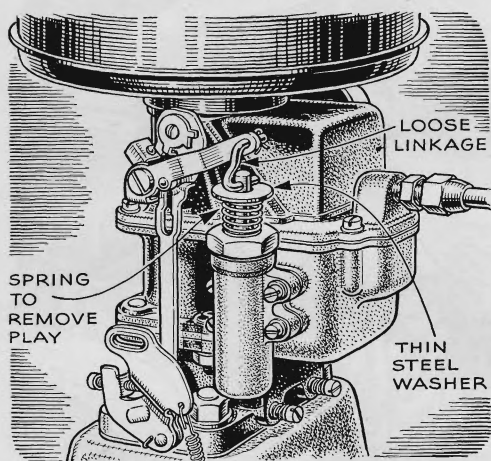
**Two Ways to Foil Thieves.** Accessories screwed to your car's exterior can be protected by filling the screw slots with solder. If you find ordinary solder hard to handle, try the liquid type. This might be gouged out, but it will discourage a thief,



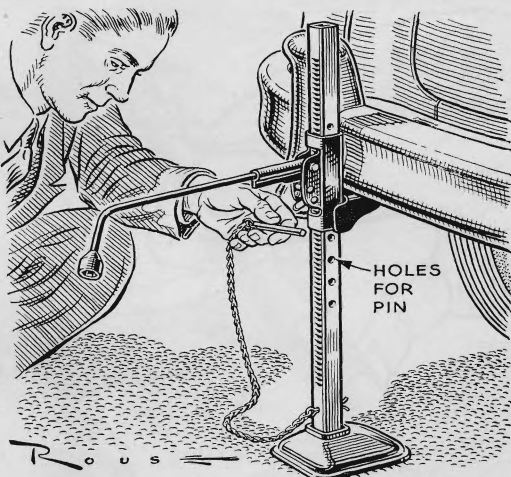
PADLOCK THROUGH HOLE IN CLUTCH-PEDAL SHANK MAKES PEDAL IMMOVABLE

since doing it would make him conspicuous.

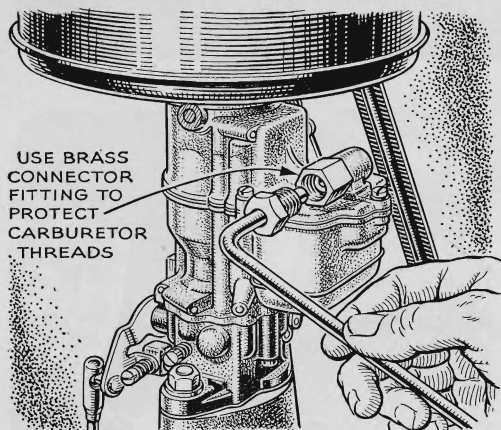
Locking the clutch pedal is an effective way of protecting a standard-transmission car. Without the clutch the car can't be driven, and there's no easy way to saw off the lock if you drill the hole near the floor.



**Spring Helps Pickup.** In older cars there's sometimes a slight delay before the engine responds to pressure on the accelerator. This results from wear in the linkage between the accelerating-pump lever and push rod. A coil spring and washer installed on the push rod as shown will take up the slack in the linkage.

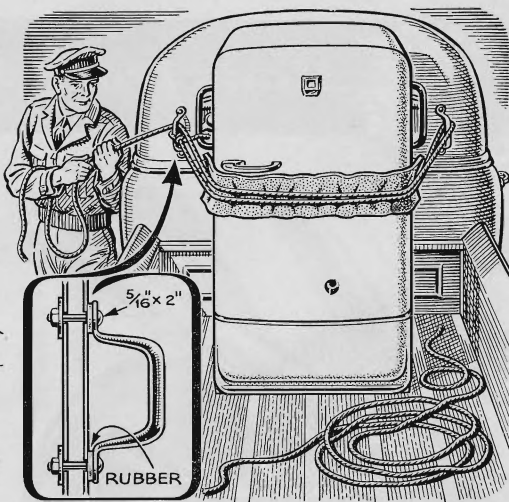


**Pin Makes Jack Safer.** Drill several small holes through the shaft of your bumper jack. Then, after the car has been raised to the desired height, put a steel pin through the hole under the ratchet mechanism. If the mechanism slips, the pin will keep the car from falling. The pin can be chained to the jack.

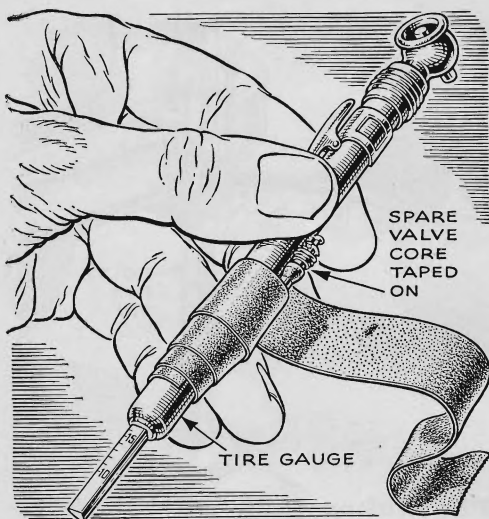


### Connector Saves Carburetor.

On most cars, a brass connector screws on the carburetor body, and the gas line in turn fits into the connector. If this brass fitting is missing from your car, installing one now may save you the cost of a carburetor later. A new one might be the only way out if a mechanic should strip the threads in the carburetor body while trying to connect the fuel line directly.



**Tying Down Your Cargo.** After a refrigerator had fallen from his pickup truck, Howard Butt, of Pocahontas, Va., decided it was time to stop such accidents. He bought some of the chromium handles designed to help a driver climb to his seat in a cab-over-engine truck and attached them to his truck as shown above. They made excellent tie-downs for lashing on the load.



**Keep Valve Core Handy.** Place a new tire-valve core against the body of your tire gauge and wrap tape around it. The core may come in handy sometime if you find a leaking valve while checking your tire pressures.



**Screen Catches Bugs.** Insects wedged within a radiator core may reduce its cooling efficiency. To keep them out, Richard C. Schneeloch, of Tulsa, Okla., suggests placing window screening between the core and grille. Clean it off occasionally.